

United States Department of Agriculture New vendors and subcontractors must supply all of the required paperwork (Appendix I, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters). In addition, <u>all Vendors</u> must also be registered in the CCR within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.

Marketing and Regulatory Programs

FV-302

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Agricultural Marketing Service Date Issued: September 13, 2005

Canned Vegetables, Announcement FV-302, Invitation 038

Washington, DC 20250

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell canned vegetables as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in child nutrition and other domestic food assistance programs. Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, Thursday, September 15, 2005.

Acceptances will be announced by midnight, September 19, 2005. Deliveries are to be made from September 16, 2005 through October 15, 2005.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Carrots

6/#10 can

13,680 cases

This invitation is to provide USDA commodities to areas affected by Hurricane Katrina, and to replace commodities previously diverted to those areas. Since there is a great need to deliver to destinations on the gulf coast as soon as possible, delivery timeframes on this invitation will begin immediately. If you are unable to meet the early delivery periods, do not bid on them. Inspection issues resulting from the need to deliver product quickly will be handled by Commodity Procurement Branch on a cases by case basis. Please note, is the vendor's responsibility to have timely deliveries and to deliver good quality and condition of the product.

No offer will be made to the 8(a) vendors on this invitation.

All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.

All invitations with orders for the state of New York must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring this special marking will be indicated by (**). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an Invitation.

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the Site. The Internet address is: http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes which translates into a connection of https://pcsd.usda.gov/3077/mdbc1000.exe?. Once connected, follow the online procedures.



A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-302; Appendix-1; the Commodity Specification for Canned Vegetables dated April 2004, as amended; or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-0239, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

Purchases of the commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-302, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

Split shipments are indicated by a single asterisk (*).

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV302

INVITATION: 038

COMM GROUP: 36 VEGETABLES, CANNED

COMM TYPE: 10 CARROTS, CANNED

PACK SIZE: 60 6/#10 CANS

| | DESTINAT: CITY | ON ST | TRANS RESTR | QUANTITY (CSE) | PRICE PER (CSE) |
|------|-------------------|---------|----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| DELI | VERY PERIOD (| 9/16/0 | 5 - 09/30/05 | | |
| 001 | MOBILE | AL | TRUCK ONLY | 912 | |
| 002 | MOBILE | AL | TRUCK ONLY | 912 | |
| 003 | MOBILE | AL | TRUCK ONLY | 912 | |
| 004 | MOBILE | AL | TRUCK ONLY | 912 | |
| 005 | MOBILE | AL | TRUCK ONLY | 912 | |
| 006 | MOBILE | AL | TRUCK ONLY | 912 | |
| 007 | GULFPORT | MS | TRUCK ONLY | 912 | |
| DELI | VERY PERIOD 1 | 10/01/0 | 5 - 10/15/05 | | |
| 008 | ROCKY HILL | CT | TRUCK ONLY | 912 | |
| 009 | CHARLESTON | WV | | 912 | |
| 010 | WINTER HAVEN | FL | | 912 | |
| 011 | FORT MILL | SC | TRUCK ONLY | 912 | |
| 012 | LEXINGTON | SC | | 912 | |
| 013 | GRANITE CITY | IL | | 912 | |
| 014 | FORT WAYNE | IN | TRUCK ONLY | 912 | |
| 015 | LOGANSPORT | IN | | 912 | |

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ITEM DESTINATION TRANS QUANTITY PRICE PER NO CITY ST RESTR (CSE) (CSE)

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 13,680

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